

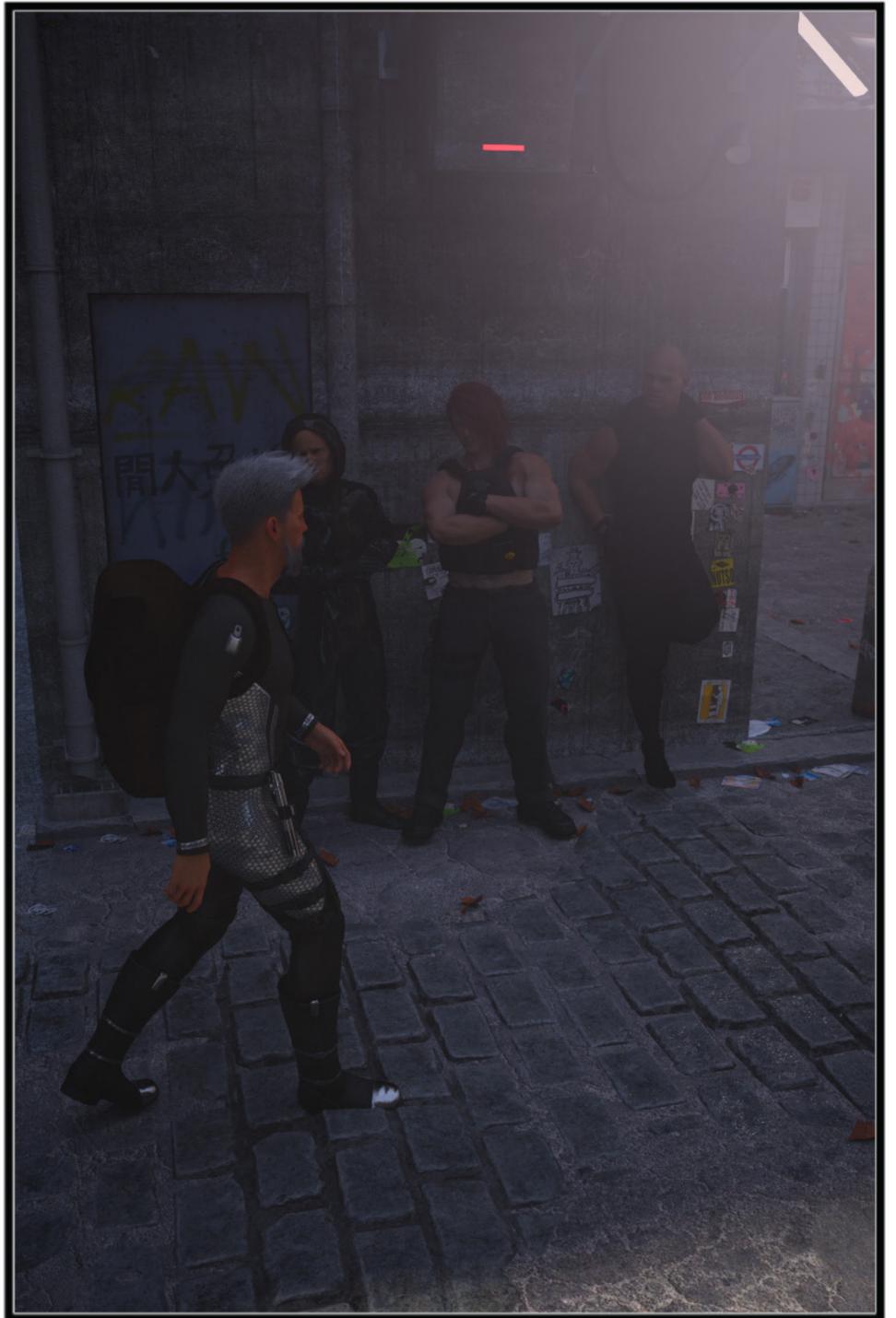
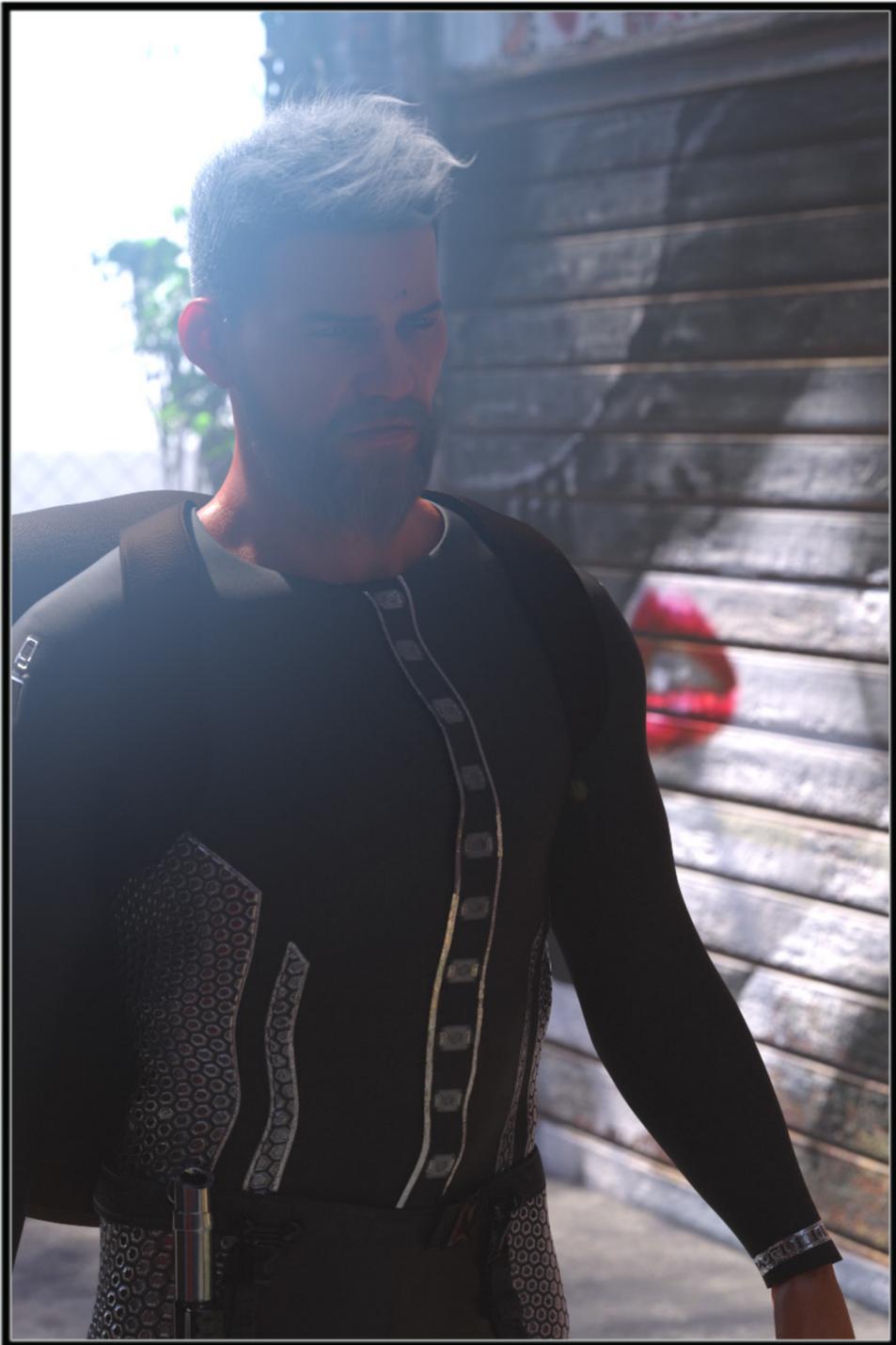


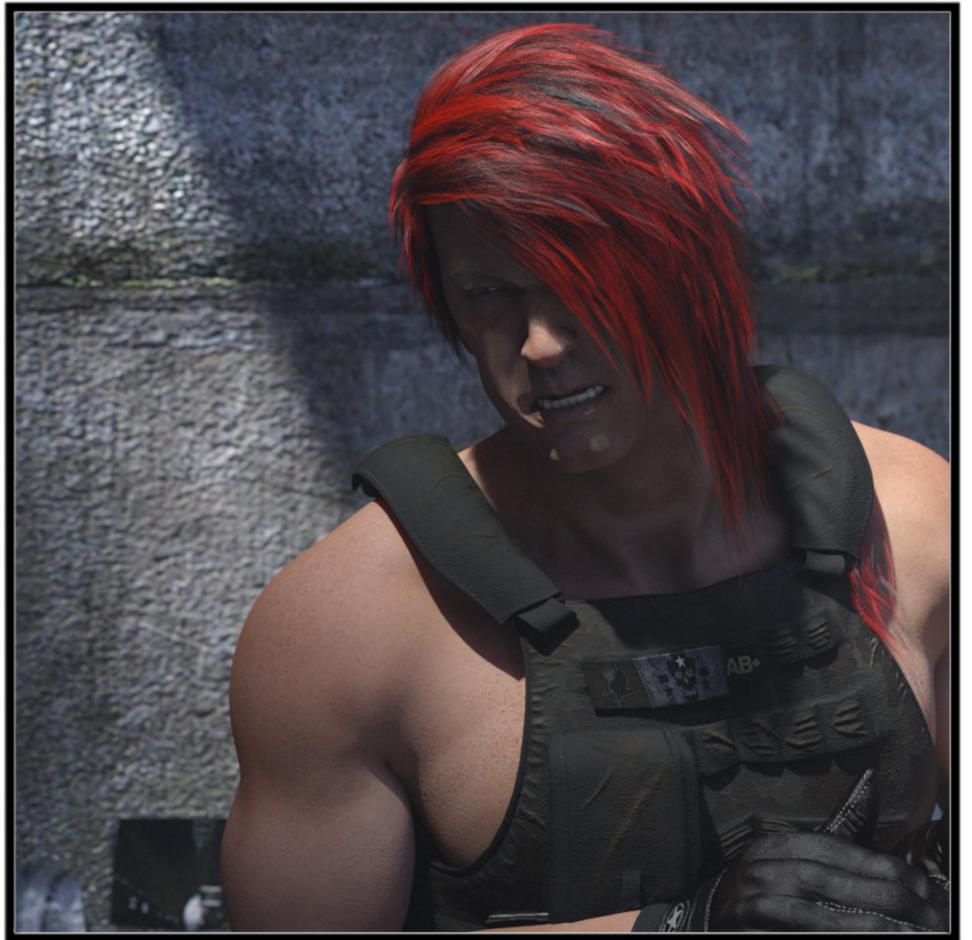
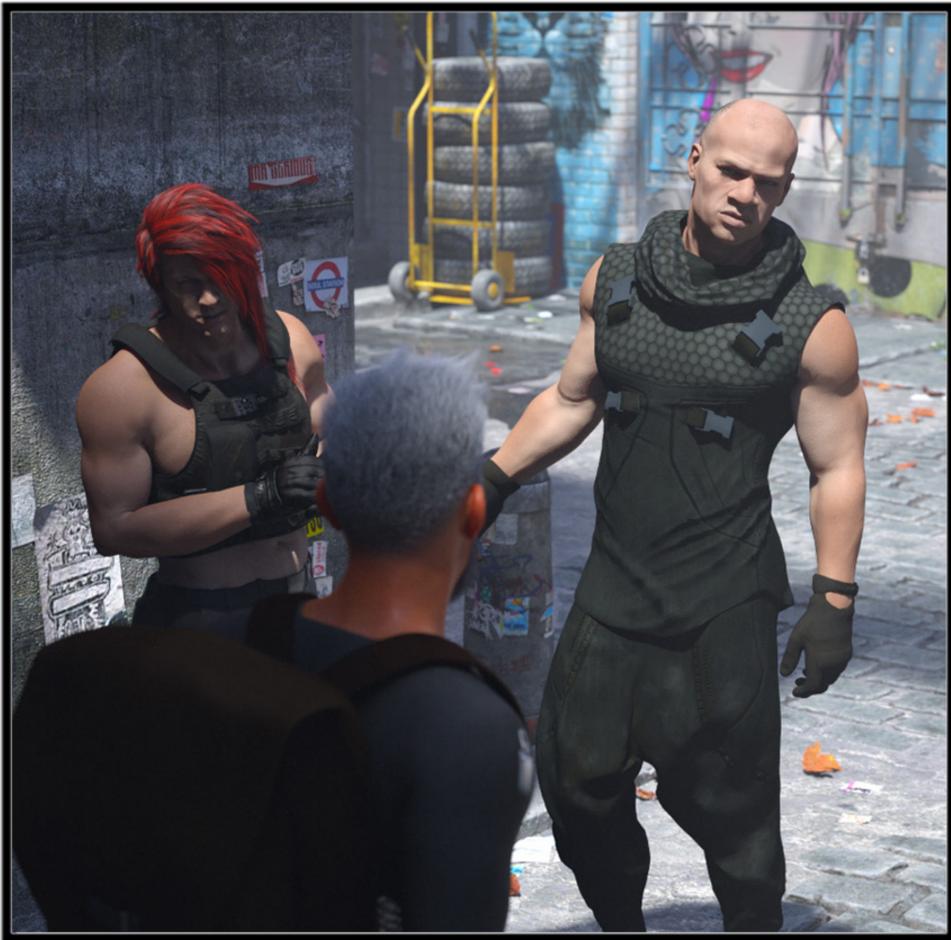
TOM REYNOLDS

# HIDDEN EMPIRE

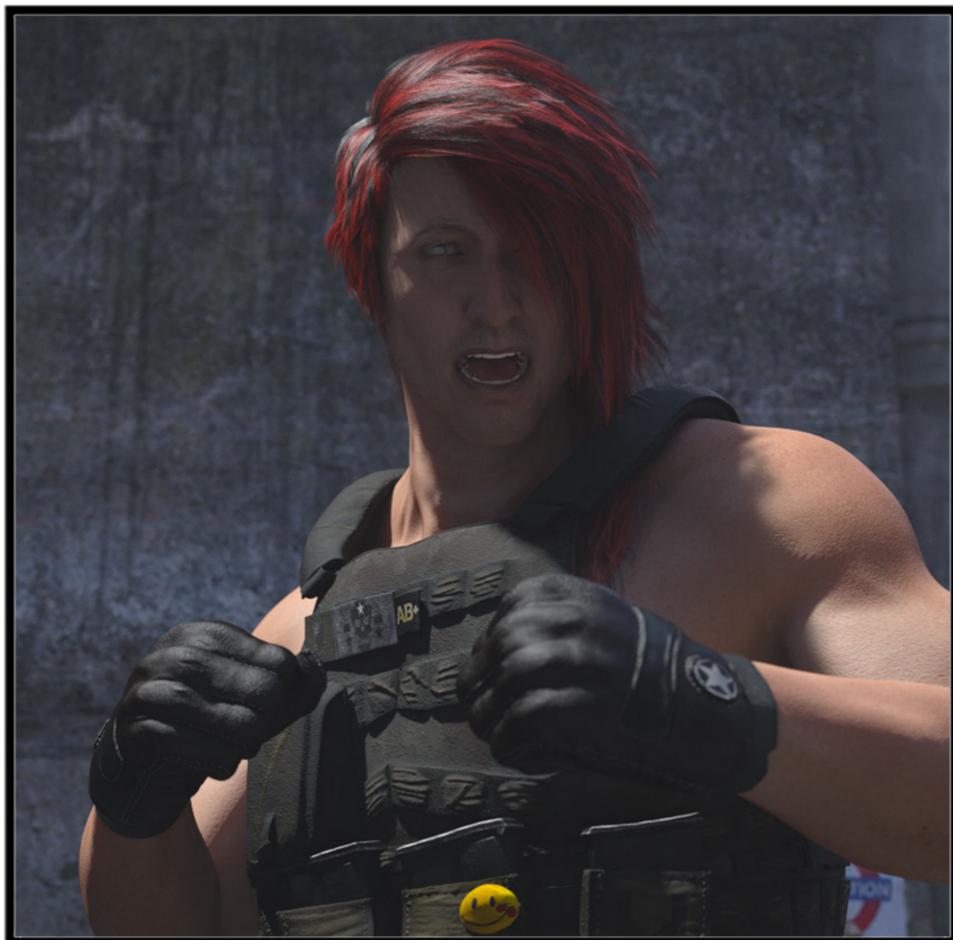
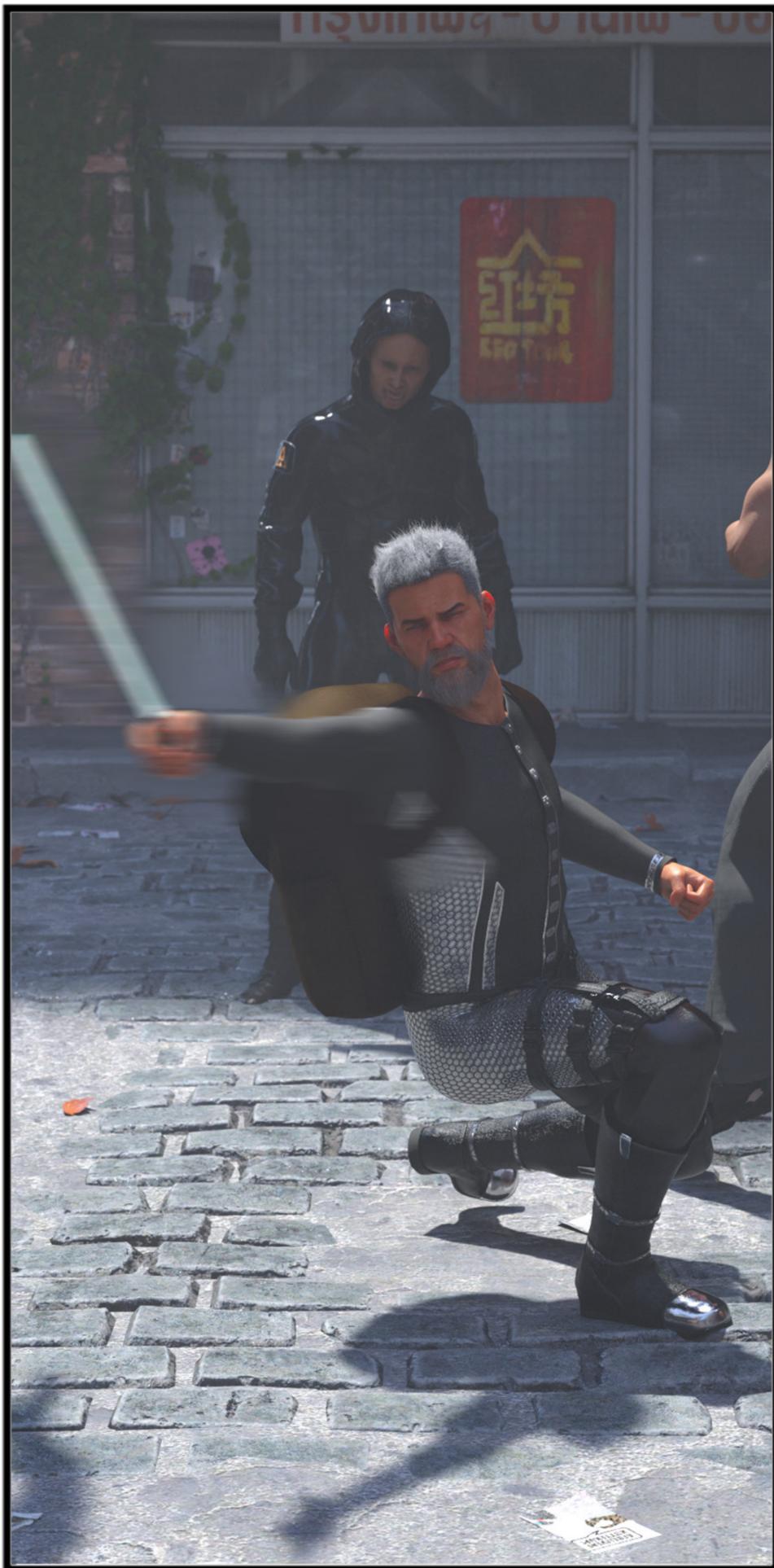


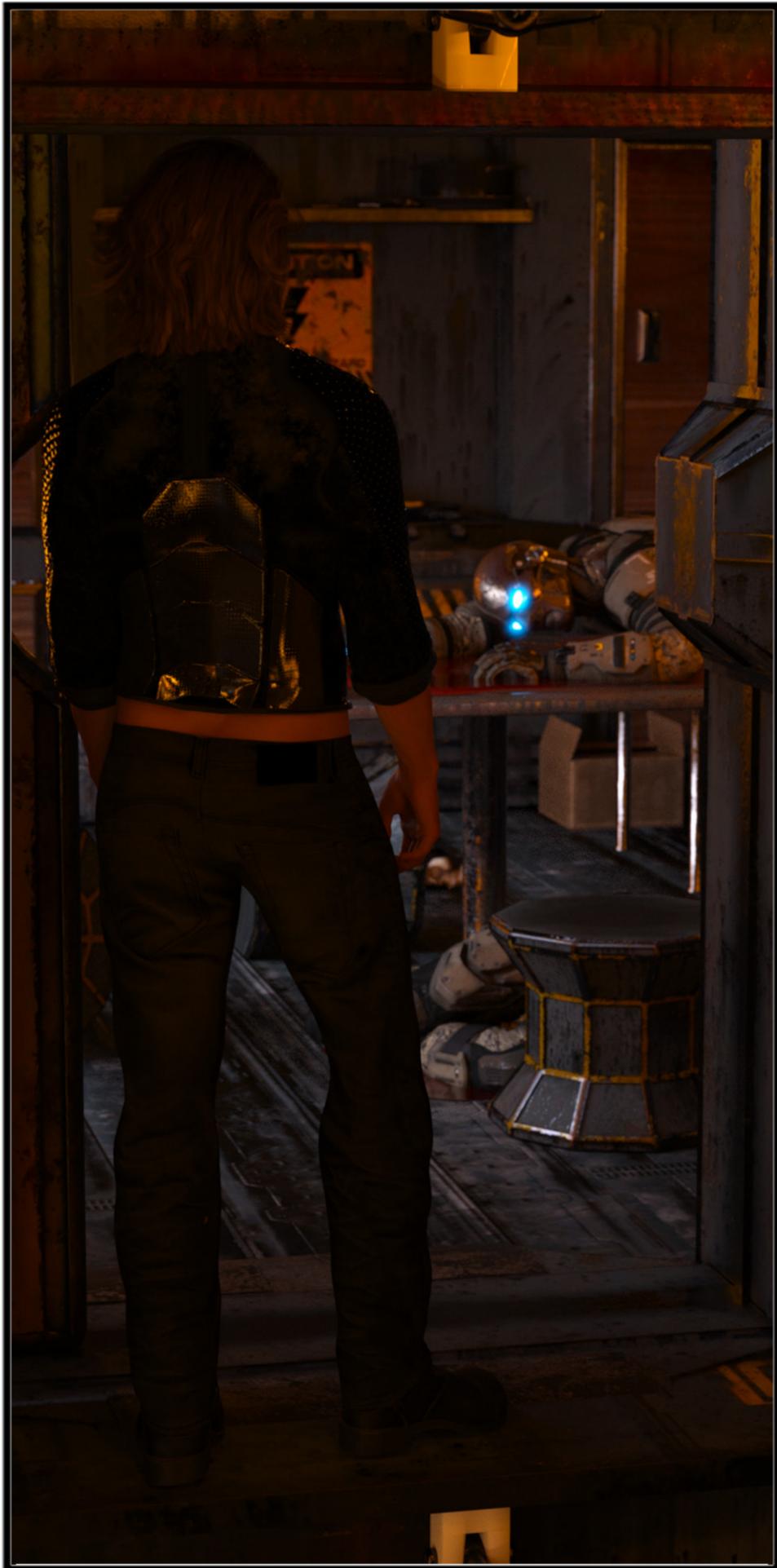
TOM REYNOLDS AND TGCOMICS.COM PRESENT A BAD RIPOFF OF A MORE POPULAR MEDIA PROPERTY  
PATREON.COM/CAPS - TWITTER.COM/TOMREYNOLDSTG - DEVIANTART.COM/TG-CAPS  
PLEASE SUPPORT TOM AT HIS PATREON IT ALLOWS HIM TO CONTINUE MAKING STUFF LIKE THIS



















KARAN, IT'S IMPORTANT YOU TELL ME THE WHOLE STORY.



THIS WHOLE THING IS TURNING INTO A MESS.

I NEED YOU TO GO AND GRAB A BAG.

GET SOME CLOTHES AND ANYTHING SENTIMENTAL YOU NEED TO BRING.



WHY? YOU'RE NOT GOING TO BELIEVE ME!

DON'T BE SO SURE ABOUT THAT.

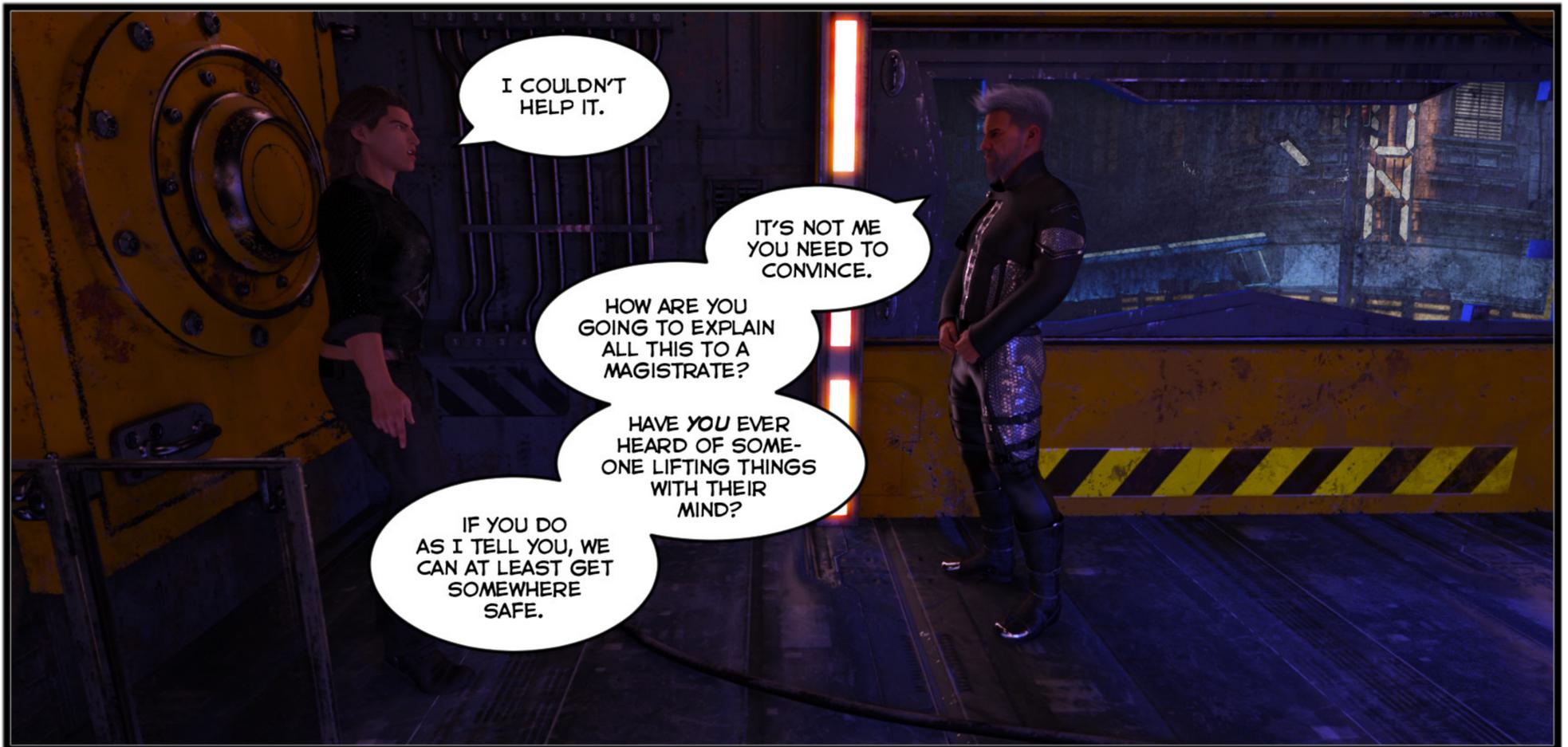


YOU CAN'T COME BACK HERE AGAIN.



WHY? I'M NOT A CRIMINAL. I'M NOT A...

THE GUARDS ARE DEAD. SOMEONE DID THAT.





JESUS  
CHRIST,  
KID.

THEY  
DIDN'T STAND  
A CHANCE.



OKAY, IF I'M COMING WITH YOU, YOU'RE GOING TO NEED TO ANSWER SOME QUESTIONS.

NOT GOOD ENOUGH FOR OLD IBN MAJID TO COME IN AND SAVE YOUR BACON?



HOW DID YOU KNOW TO COME AND FIND ME?

THAT'S NOT SOMETHING I CAN GO INTO IN THE STREET.



IT'S BEEN YEARS! WHERE HAVE YOU BEEN ALL THIS TIME?

I THOUGHT YOU DIED.



MAYBE I THOUGHT THE SAME.



I'M GLAD I FOUND YOU WHEN I DID.

YOU DIDN'T HAVE LONG BEFORE SOMEONE CAME ASKING QUESTIONS.



THE POWER THAT DESTROYED THE ROOM, THAT KILLED THOSE SOLDIERS...



IT CAME FROM YOU?

I WAS SO ANGRY!

I COULDN'T CONTROL...



IT'S SOMETHING YOU PRACTICE?

EVER SINCE I WAS LITTLE.



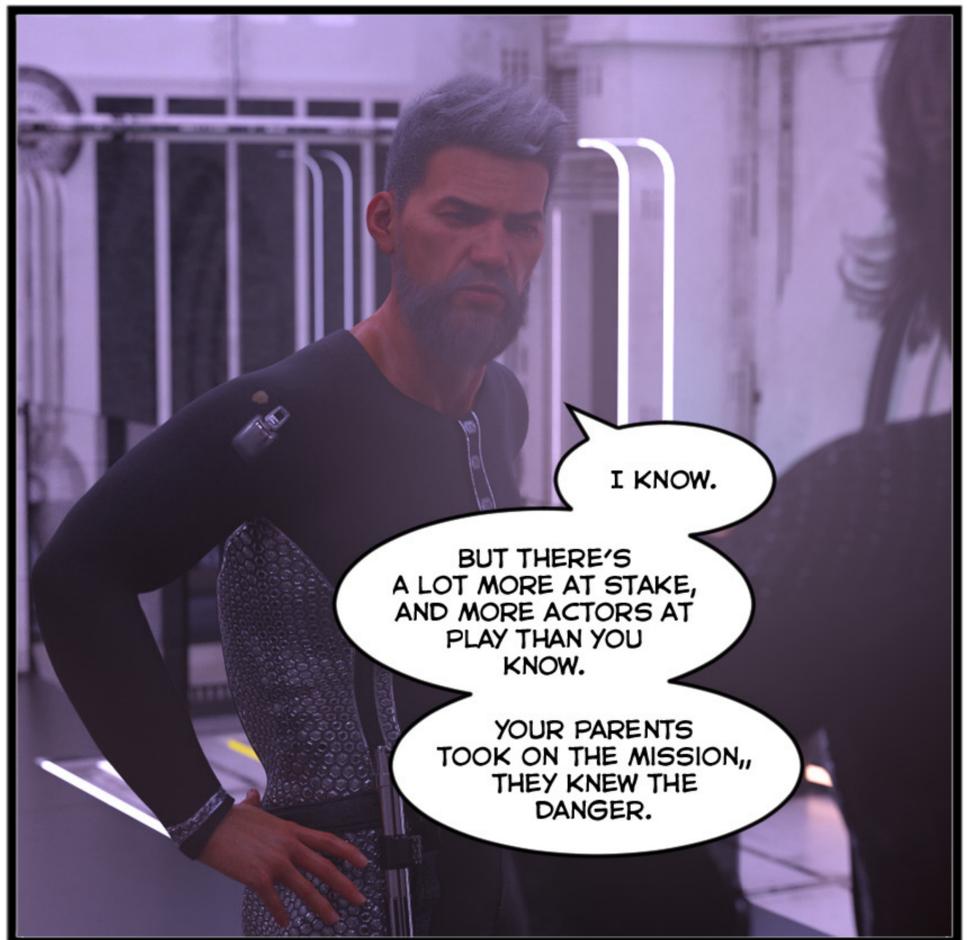
IF I CONCENTRATE ENOUGH...

I CAN MAKE THINGS MOVE.



IMPRESSIVE.

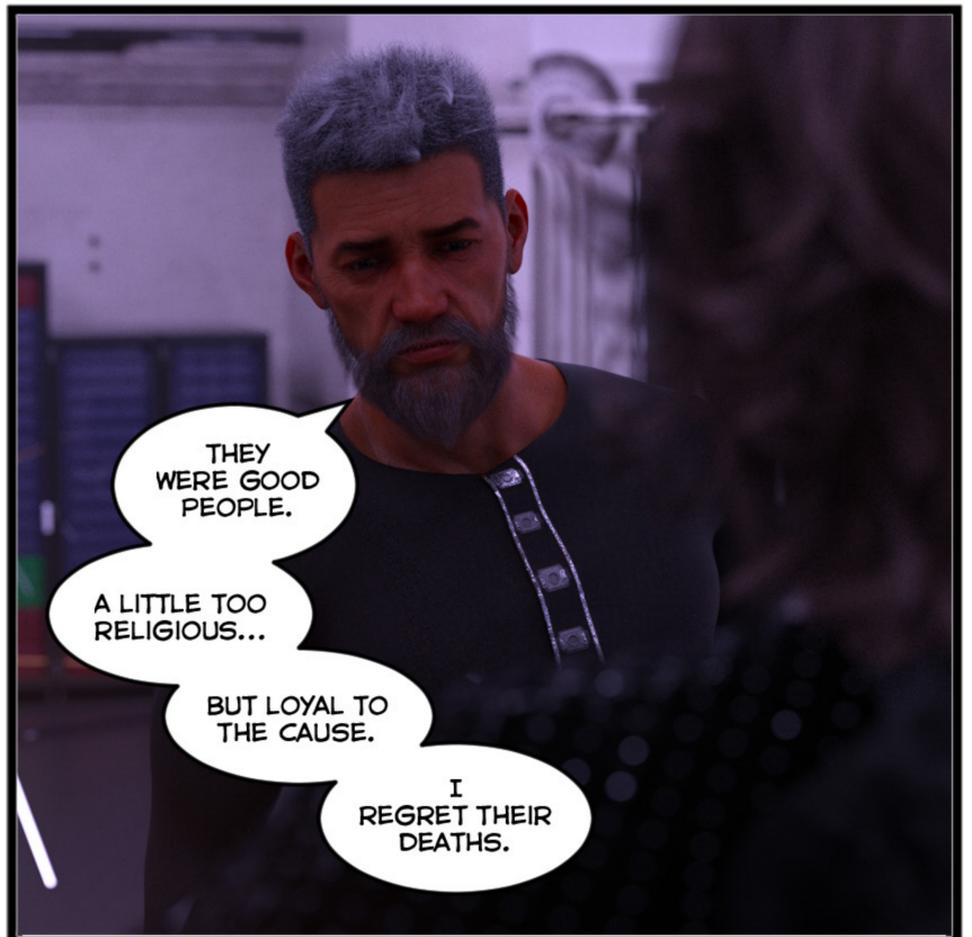
IMPRESSIVE?  
IBN, I JUST SAW MY PARENTS GET KILLED  
IN FRONT OF ME.



I KNOW.

BUT THERE'S  
A LOT MORE AT STAKE,  
AND MORE ACTORS AT  
PLAY THAN YOU  
KNOW.

YOUR PARENTS  
TOOK ON THE MISSION,,  
THEY KNEW THE  
DANGER.



THEY  
WERE GOOD  
PEOPLE.

A LITTLE TOO  
RELIGIOUS...

BUT LOYAL TO  
THE CAUSE.

I  
REGRET THEIR  
DEATHS.



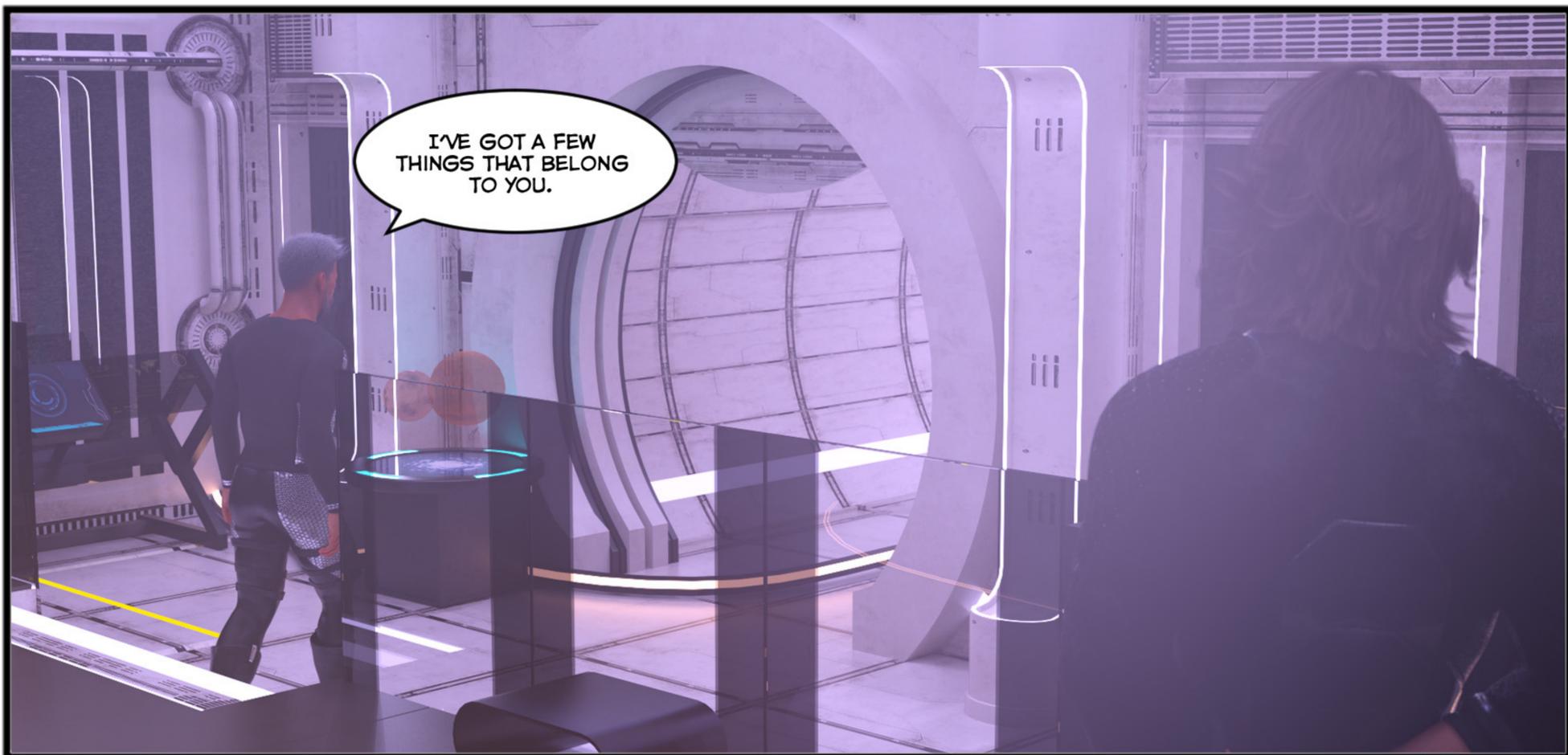
WHAT THE  
HELL AM I GOING  
TO DO NOW?

WE'RE GOING  
TO BED DOWN FOR  
THE NIGHT, THEN COME  
MORNING, WE'LL FIND  
A TRANSPORT OFF-  
WORLD.



THEN  
TRAINING, *ANSWERS*,  
DANGER, ADVENTURE  
AND WAR.

THERE'S TOO  
MUCH TO TELL  
TONIGHT.



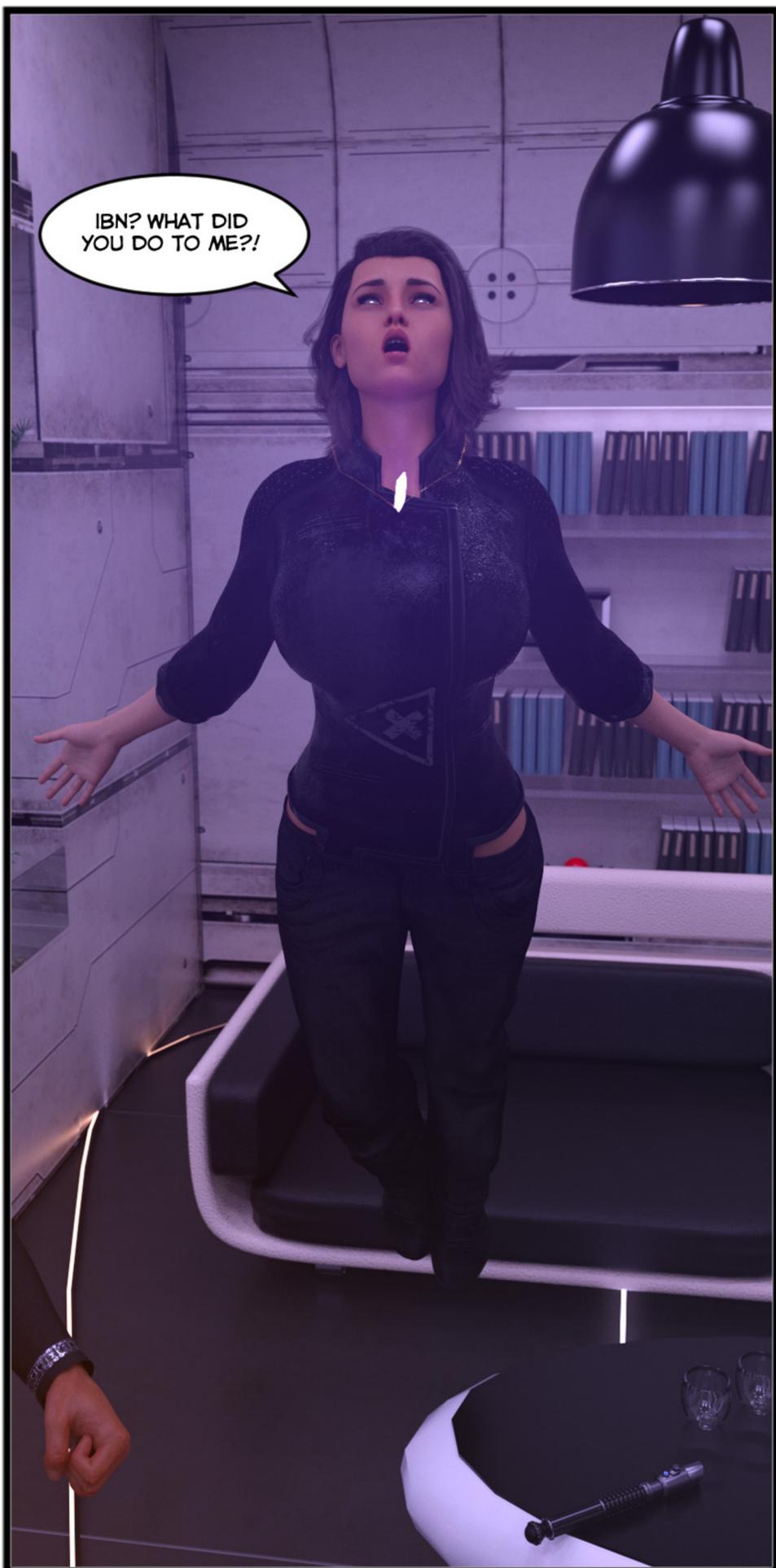




WHAT THE--



OH MY GOD! IS THIS MAGIC?!



IBN? WHAT DID YOU DO TO ME?!



WHAT A RUSH!

CAN I GO AGAIN?



UH...



BOOBS?  
NOPE. NOPE.  
THAT'S TOO MUCH  
FOR ME TO DEAL  
WITH RIGHT  
NOW.



WHAT ARE  
YOU DOING?!

DON'T TAKE  
IT OFF.



YOU NEED  
TO GIVE ME A  
CHANCE  
HERE.



TODAY JUST  
KEEPS GETTING  
WEIRDER.



WE'VE GOT A  
LONG WAY TO GO  
YET, KID.





CAN I  
TAKE IT OFF  
NOW?

MY SHIRT IS...  
GETTING  
TIGHT...

PERHAPS THE  
PROTECTIONS  
WEREN'T AS  
STRONG AS I  
THOUGHT.

IT'S AMAZING  
YOU WERE ABLE  
TO EXPRESS ANY  
POWER IN YOUR  
MALE BODY.



YOU NEED  
TO GET USED  
TO YOUR TRUE  
FORM, KARAN.

YOU CAN'T  
RUN AWAY  
FROM IT.

MY TRUE  
WHAT?

WHAT ARE  
YOU TALKING  
ABOUT?



YOU'RE WHAT?  
EIGHTEEN?

YEAH.



IT'S TIME  
YOU LEARNED  
THE WORLD  
IS A CRUEL  
PLACE.

NOTHING IS  
PERMANENT,  
ESPECIALLY  
IDENTITY.

THE PEOPLE  
WE BECOME ARE  
WORLDS APART  
FROM THE PEOPLE  
WE ONCE WERE.



THE NECKLACE  
IS ORDINARY  
ENOUGH. PURE  
SILVER.

A MAGICAL  
LATENCY IN THE  
METAL DRAWS OUT  
THE POWER OF  
SPELLS.





GOOD EVENING SIR.

THAT'S HIM, THAT'S THE ONE WITH THE FANCY SWORD.



THAT'S ENOUGH.

LET ME PROCEED WITH MY CONVERSATION.



I HAVE RECEIVED SOME DISTURBING INTELLIGENCE THAT YOU PERPETRATED AN ACT OF VIOLENCE WITHIN CITY LIMITS.



I AM NOT ACCUSING YOU OF ANYTHING CURRENTLY, BUT THERE IS A MAN IN AN IMPERIAL INFIRMARY, CLINGING TO LIFE.

I AM MERELY MOUNTING AN INVESTIGATION.

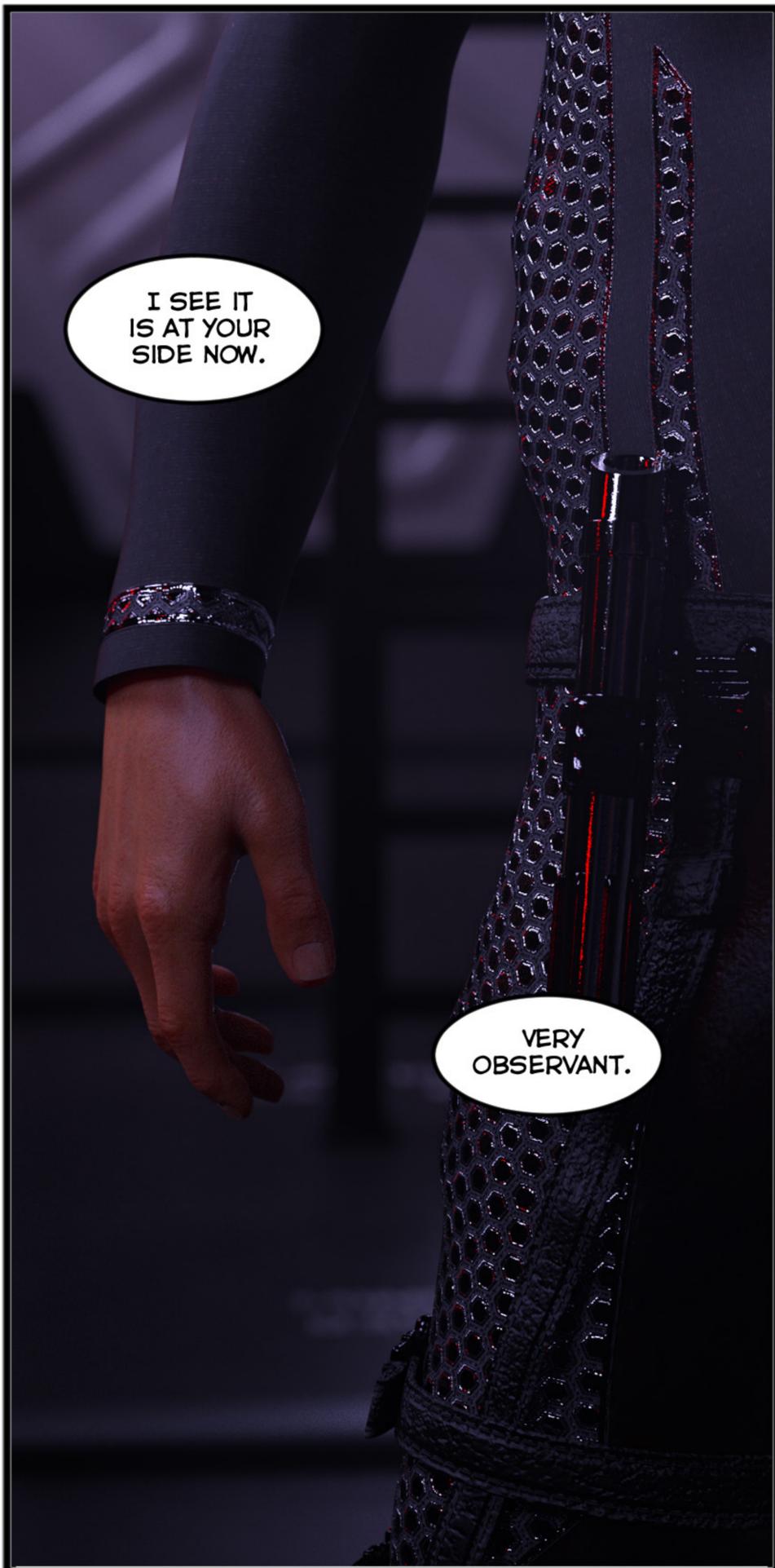


WHAT'S WITH THE GOON SQUAD?

MY MEN ARE HERE TO KEEP THE PEACE.



THE OTHER INTELLIGENCE I RECEIVED IS THAT YOU CARRY A RARE AND VERY DANGEROUS WEAPON.



I SEE IT IS AT YOUR SIDE NOW.

VERY OBSERVANT.



I AM REQUISITIONING IT FOR ANALYSIS.



ARE YOU NOW?

ON IMPERIAL AUTHORITY.



AND IF I DON'T COOPERATE?

IF I HAVE YOUR FULL COOPERATION, YOU HAVE MY GUARANTEE THAT YOU WILL RECEIVE IT BACK.



WITH ALL NECESSARY FORCE.

THEN I'LL BE FORCED TO TAKE IT FROM YOU.





AYE.



I THOUGHT YOU WOULD SAY SOMETHING TO PISS ME OFF.



ALRIGHT, THEN!  
WHICH OF YOU PIECES OF SHIT WANTS TO TAKE THIS FROM ME?



WHOA! SLOW DOWN!



ANYONE GOT THE BALLS?!







